

## Motorcycle accident victim

# Memorial services held at McNair

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Memorial services were held May 3 for Sp4. Daniel L. Mount, B Company 32nd Signal Battalion, who died April 29 as a result of a motorcycle accident.

Mount, 22, of Parsons, Kan. worked as a wheeled vehicle mechanic and was considered one of the best soldiers in the battalion by his leaders and peers.

SFC James Savage, B company's former First Sergeant said, " Specialist Mount was a good-natured soldier, always cheering others up, everyone liked him".

"I couldn't have asked for a better soldier", said SFC William Gabriel, the fallen soldier's supervisor. Gabriel said during a recent field exercise,



Mount voluntarily worked two days straight, around the clock, to give support to brigade soldiers. When told to take a break Mount refused saying there was too much to do, Gabriel said.

The senior NCO solemnly concluded, "Specialist Mount was a professional".

# McNairKaserne.org Promotions to E-4 frozen by DA

Army officials say there are too many Corporal's and Specialist Four soldiers on active duty and have ordered a four-month freeze on promotions.

Presently the Army is over strengthened in grade E-4 by more than 12,000.

"The E-4 overage is just too high to

avoid a temporary freeze," an official said.

Adding to the problem is the Army's high reenlistment rate, which has been over 100 percent for the past four months.

## 32nd soldier jailed after court martial

An A Co, 32nd Signal Soldier was sentenced to three months confinement, with hard labor, fined two-thirds of his pay for three months and reduced to Pvt.1 in a court martial last month.

Pvt.1 David L. Boggs was convicted on May 13 of disobeying the orders of an NCO and Officer, and possession of dangerous drugs. Boggs, at present is in Mannheim prison, and will be sent to the U.S. for confinement this month.

### Army has new urine test to detect pot use

Since May 1, soldiers in Europe have been tested for delta-9-Tetra hydrocannabinol or THC, the active ingredient in Marijuana and Hashish.

Brigade Commander, Col. Joseph D. Schott said in a recent interview, that any company at anytime can be ordered to provide a urinalysis test for marijuana. Officials say the test findings are now legal for administrative action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.